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Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m. Consultations of the whole (closed) Consultations Room
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Other matters

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m. 1600th meeting (closed) Conference Room 9

General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session (resumed)

10 a.m. 28th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory: draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.19) [5]

Announcement

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Main Committees**Second Committee**

- 3 p.m. 30th meeting Conference Room 2
1. Eradication of poverty and other development issues [57]
 - (a) Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.39
 - (b) Industrial development cooperation

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.40
 2. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research . . . [59 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.38
 3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions [69 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.43
 4. Sustainable development [53]
 - (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.18 and A/C.2/61/L.42
 - (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.28 and A/C.2/61/L.44
 5. Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system [58]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.32 (and A/C.2/61/L.32/Rev.1)

[Note: Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Third Committee

- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 48th meeting Conference Room 1
1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [41]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.47
 2. Indigenous issues (A/61/490 and A/61/376) [64]
 - (a) Indigenous issues

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Oral decision

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [65 (a)]
Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.49
4. Implementation of human rights instruments [67 (a)]
Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.15
5. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]
Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.28
6. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [67 (c)]
Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.37
7. Crime prevention and criminal justice [98]
Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14/Rev.1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (A/61/519 and A/61/567) [151]

Introduction and general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19: Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory (A/C.5/61/12)

Morning¹–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 151 (Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (A/61/519 and A/61/567))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 118 (Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1); and

Agenda item 134 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/61/468 and A/61/551))

¹ To be held following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	1. Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory	
	2. Administrative matters	
	3. Executive on the comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies	

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 9*.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 55 (d) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B

Facilitator, Ms. Cinthia Soto (Costa Rica), under agenda item 53 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland) under agenda item 54 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

Following the adjournment of the 30th meeting of the Second Committee, in Conference Room 2.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities

Drafting Committee

The Drafting Committee of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold an informal meeting (closed) *today*, 17 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Friday, 17 November 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on malaria, under agenda item 48 (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the African Group)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of Cuba)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, under agenda item 65 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Other meetings

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Friday, 17 November 2006

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

9.30–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on: oil slick on Lebanese shores; commodities; international trade and development; climate change; Agenda 21; International Year of Sanitation; and International Year of Biodiversity; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D
3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on World Diabetes Day)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution under agenda item 65 (b) (Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Other activities

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Friday, 17 November 2006

Round table on the theme “Interethnic and interreligious accord: Sharing the experience of Kazakhstan”, under agenda item 44 of the General Assembly (Culture of peace) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, with the participation of the Department of Public Information)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rustem Sagindikov, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, ext. 22; e-mail kazakhstan@un.int).]

Special United Nations Tribute to the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Prof. Muhammad Yunus, to be presided over by the President of the General Assembly (organized by UN-OHRLLS)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Fred Kirungi, UN-OHRLLS (tel. 1 (917) 367-3431; e-mail kirungi@un.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm>

Friday, 17 November 2006

Room S-226

- 11 a.m. H.E. Mr. Dan Gillerman, Permanent Representative of Israel (on the situation in Gaza and the resumed tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly)
- 12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 20 November 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

- 10 a.m. 55th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall
1. Report of the International Criminal Court: draft resolution (A/61/L.21) [74]
 2. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/90)
 - (b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.24)
 - Strengthening of the United Nations system [112]
 - Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]
 - (a) Note by the Secretary-General (A/61/383)
 - (b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.24)
 - United Nations reform: measures and proposals [149]: *joint debate*
 3. International Year of Reconciliation, 2009: draft resolution (A/61/L.22) [150]

Security Council

United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission

College of Commissioners

Twenty-fourth session

The twenty-fourth session of the College of Commissioners of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC), established under Security Council resolution 1284 (1999) of 17 December 1999, will be held on Monday and Tuesday, 20 and 21 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The 26th meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), scheduled for *today*, 17 November 2006, has been postponed to *Tuesday, 21 November*, and will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in a conference room to be announced. The Committee will take action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.9, A/C.4/61/L.10, A/C.4/61/L.11/Rev.1 and A/C.4/61/L.12, submitted under agenda item 31 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East); and on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.13, A/C.4/61/L.14, A/C.4/61/L.15, A/C.4/61/L.16, A/C.4/61/L.17 and A/C.4/61/L.18, submitted under agenda item 32 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the back of Conference Room 2; and

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development) — International Year on Sanitation

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Tuesday, 28 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Thursday, 30 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Tuesday, 28 November 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 20 November 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), under agenda item 62 (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, recovery and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster, under agenda item 69 (a), (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN))

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Fifth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday and Tuesday, 20 and 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Population Division, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3185).]

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on agenda item 10 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana, as Chair of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Monday and Tuesday, 27 and 28 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Tapiwa Mongwa, Permanent Mission of Botswana (tel. 1 (212) 889-2277; e-mail mongwat@botsrep.com).]

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming activities

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Briefing on "Enhancing global public health — Ensuring a safer world" (organized by the World Health Organization, in cooperation with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday, 20 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Olga Bailey, WHO, New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4388; e-mail bailey@un.org).]

Special event in commemoration of the seventy-third anniversary of Holodomor (the 1932-33 Great Famine in Ukraine) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. Following the official part, there will be a screening of the award-winning documentary "Harvest of Despair". For further information please contact Mr. Vitaliy Pohribnyi, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (tel. 1 (212) 759-7003, ext. 115).]

Panel discussion on "Environmental governance: Key issues and perspectives" (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Economic and Social affairs, and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roma Stibravy, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069; e-mail unnegocsd@gmail.com).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information and registration, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org), by Wednesday, 29 November 2006.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent by *Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Administrative Tribunal (23 October-22 November 2006)

The Administrative Tribunal will hold meetings (closed) *every day* until *Wednesday, 22 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 2, DC2 Building.

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 November 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 16 November 2006

Security Council

5566th meeting

The situation in the Great Lakes region

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Uganda, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/45).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

54th plenary meeting

Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [109]

The General Assembly decided to defer its consideration of agenda item 109 to the sixty-second session and to include it in the provisional agenda of the sixty-second session.

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments . . . [106]

(a) *Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/561)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/61/561), appointed the following persons as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Mr. Andrzej Abraszewski (Poland), Mr. Collen Kelapile (Botswana), Mr. Stafford Neil (Jamaica), Mr. Mohammad Mustafa Tal (Jordan) and Ms. Nonye Udo (Nigeria).

(b) *Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/562)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/61/562), appointed the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Mr. Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan), Mr. Petru Dumitriu (Romania), Mr. Ihor Humenny (Ukraine), Mr. Meshal Al-Mansour (Kuwait), Ms. Gobona Susan Mapitse (Botswana) and Ms. Lisa P. Spratt (United States of America).

(c) *Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/563)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/61/563), confirmed the appointments by the Secretary-General of the following persons as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Mr. Emilio Cárdenas (Argentina), Mr. Fernando Chico Pardo (Mexico) and Mr. Khaya Ngqula (South Africa).

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/563), also confirmed the reappointment of the following persons as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Ms. Afsaneh Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Mr. Ivan Pictet (Switzerland).

(d) *Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/564)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/61/564), appointed the following persons as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Mr. Bob Hepple (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Ms. Jacqueline Scott (United States of America).

(e) *Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/565)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 11 (a) of its report (A/61/565), appointed the following persons as members of the International

Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007: Mr. Daasebre Oti Boateng (Ghana), Mr. Guillermo Enrique González (Argentina), Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone), Ms. Anita Szlazak (Canada) and Mr. Eugeniusz Wyzner (Poland).

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 11 (b) of its report (A/61/565), appointed Mr. Vladimir Morozov (Russian Federation) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 16 November 2006 and ending on 31 December 2008.

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 11 (c) of its report (A/61/565), designated Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone) as Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 11 (d) of its report (A/61/565), designated Mr. Wolfgang Stöckl (Germany) as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 and ending on 31 December 2009.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-items (a) to (e) of agenda item 106.

Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/227) [105 (a)]

The Assembly decided to proceed to the election on the basis of dispensing of the secret ballot.

Since the number of candidates nominated by the Economic and Social Council from among the African States, the Eastern European States and the Latin American and Caribbean States was equal to the number of seats to be filled in each of those regions, the Comoros, Haiti, the Russian Federation, Venezuela (the Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe were declared elected members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Assembly was informed that regarding the two remaining vacancies from among the Western European and other States the General Assembly would be in a position to act on it upon the nomination by the Economic and Social Council of two Member States from that region.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 105.

Election of the members of the International Law Commission [105 (c)]

(a) *Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/61/92, A/61/92/Corr.1, A/61/92/Add.1, A/61/92/Add.2 and A/61/92/Add.3)*

(b) *Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/61/539)*

(c) *Curriculum vitae (A/61/111, A/61/111/Corr.1, A/61/111/Corr.2 and A/61/111/Add.1)*

On the first round of balloting, the following persons, having obtained the required majority and having received the greatest number of votes, were elected members of the International Law Commission for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2007:

Mr. Hussein A. Hassouna (Egypt)

Mr. Amos S. Wako (Kenya)

Mr. Fathi Kemicha (Tunisia)
 Mr. Pedro Comissario Afonso (Mozambique)
 Mr. Christopher John Rober Dugard (South Africa)
 Mr. Bayo Ojo (Nigeria)
 Mr. Salifou Fomba (Mali)
 Mr. Maurice Kamto (Cameroon)
 Mr. Chusei Yamada (Japan)
 Mr. Narinder Singh (India)
 Ms. Xue Hanqin (China)
 Mr. Ali Mohsen Fetais Al-Marri (Qatar)
 Mr. Amrith Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka)
 Mr. Nugroho Wisnumurti (Indonesia)
 Mr. Mahmoud D. Hmoud (Jordan)
 Mr. Roman Anatolyevitch Kolodkin (Russian Federation)
 Mr. Zdzislaw Galicki (Poland)
 Mr. Teodor Viorel Melescanu (Romania)
 Mr. Ernest Petric (Slovenia)
 Mr. Stephen Vasciannie (Jamaica)
 Mr. Gilberto Vergne Saboia (Brazil)
 Mr. Enrique Candiotti (Argentina)
 Mr. Bernd Niehaus (Costa Rica)
 Mr. Marcelo Vázquez-Bermúdez (Ecuador)
 Mr. Eduardo Valencia-Ospina (Colombia)
 Mr. Edmundo Vargas Carreño (Chile)
 Mr. Ian Brownlie (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
 Mr. Georg Nolte (Germany)
 Mr. Donald McRae (Canada)
 Ms. Marie Jacobsson (Sweden)
 Mr. Giorgio Gaja (Italy)
 Ms. Paula Ventura de Carvalho Escarameia (Portugal)
 Mr. Alain Pellet (France)
 Mr. Lucius Caflish (Switzerland)

The General Assembly concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 105.

Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/107). [106 (f)]

The General Assembly took note of the appointment by the President of the General Assembly of Germany, Grenada, Honduras, Nigeria, Senegal and the Syrian Arab Republic as members of the Committee on Conferences for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Assembly was informed that as a result of the remaining vacant seat from among the Eastern European States the President of the General Assembly would continue to hold consultations with the regional group concerned and would keep the Assembly informed.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 106.

55th plenary meeting

Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/109) [106 (h)]

The President announced that, as the Groups of Asian States, Eastern European States, Latin American and Caribbean States and Western European and Other States had each

endorsed one candidate for one vacancy, namely, China, the Russian Federation, Cuba and the United States of America, respectively, those four countries would therefore be requested to propose a candidate each for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

Since from among the African States there were three candidates for one vacancy, the General Assembly proceeded to select by secret ballot one State from among the African States to be requested to propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

The results of the first round of balloting were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	165
Number of invalid ballots	1
Number of valid ballots	164
Abstentions	0
Number of members present and voting	164
Required simple majority of members present and voting	83
	<i>Votes</i>
Egypt	85
United Republic of Tanzania	73
Sudan	6

Having obtained the required majority and the greatest number of votes, Egypt was selected to be included in the list of five countries to be drawn up that would be requested to propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

The President of the General Assembly announced that, after holding the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, she would propose a list of candidates to the Assembly for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 106.

Main Committees

Third Committee

46th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [41]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.54

The representative of Jordan introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document and Bangladesh and Thailand.

Azerbaijan, Benin, the Central African Republic, Iraq and Morocco joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.55

The representative of Namibia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the African Group and Azerbaijan, the Czech Republic, Japan, Luxembourg, Portugal and Sweden.

Bangladesh, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Malawi and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [67 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.36/Rev.1

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document and Brazil, Bulgaria, Egypt, Honduras, Israel, Peru, the Russian Federation, the United States of America and Uruguay.

Angola, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Georgia, Indonesia, Moldova (Republic of), Morocco and Nigeria joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [65 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.48

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement.

Benin, the Central African Republic, Ethiopia and Nigeria joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement and requested a vote on the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.48, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 107 to 3, with 53 abstentions.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries). After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Costa Rica and Qatar.

The representatives of Mauritania and Ukraine made statements regarding their vote.

Right of peoples to self-determination [66]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.46

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement and announced that Angola, Cameroon, the Congo, the Niger, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.46, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.51

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Egypt made a statement and announced that Azerbaijan, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Croatia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Myanmar, Norway, Slovenia and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Central African Republic, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Iceland, Slovakia, Lesotho, Liberia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Maldives, Suriname, Timor-Leste, Togo and Zambia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement, in which a vote was requested on the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.51, by a recorded vote of 162 to 4, with 4 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) and Israel. After the vote, statements were made by the representatives Argentina, the United States, Australia, Canada and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The representatives of Rwanda and Ukraine made statements regarding their vote.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.19

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Azerbaijan further orally revised the text and announced that Canada, Egypt, Ethiopia, Germany, Peru, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Sudan, Tunisia and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Haiti, Liberia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Niger, Romania and Sierra Leone also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.19, as further orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.20

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malawi, Myanmar, Nicaragua, South Africa, Suriname, Timor-Leste, the United Republic of Tanzania and Uzbekistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.20 by a recorded vote of 113 to 53, with 4 abstentions.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries).

The representative of Armenia made a statement regarding her vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.23

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Cuba orally revised the text and announced that Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Eritrea, Togo and Tunisia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and that Burundi withdrew as co-sponsor.

Benin, Burkina Faso, the Central African Republic, Liberia and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

47th meeting

The summary of the 47th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/223).

Sixth Committee

22nd meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [79]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 79.

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.10 and A/C.6/61/L.10/Corr.1.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement on the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.10 and A/C.6/61/L.10/Corr.1.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.10 and A/C.6/61/L.10/Corr.1, without a vote.

The representatives of Germany and Japan made statements in explanation of position after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 79.

The rule of law at the national and international levels [80]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 80.

The Chairman introduced draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.18.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement on the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.18, as orally revised.

The representative of Japan spoke.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.18, without a vote.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Japan made statements in explanation of position after the adoption of the draft resolution. The representative of Uruguay made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 80.

Administration of Justice at the United Nations [128]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 128.

The Chairman of the Committee read out the amended version of the draft decision A/C.6/61/L.12.

The Committee adopted the amended version of the draft decision A/C.6/61/L.12, without a vote.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement on the financial implications of draft decision A/C.6/61/L.12.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic spoke.

The Committee adopted draft decision A/C.6/61/L.12, without a vote.

The representatives of the United States and the Syrian Arab Republic made statements in explanation of position, after the adoption of the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded the stage of its consideration of agenda item 128.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Procès-verbal of rectification to the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network. New York, 14 November 2006

Correction to the authentic Chinese, English and Russian texts of Annex I of the Agreement: (14 November 2006)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General Information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2006 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Namibia

H.E. Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende

Asian States:

Pakistan

H.E. Mr. Munir Akram

Eastern European States:

Bulgaria

H.E. Mr. Ivan T. Piperkov

Latin American and Caribbean States:

El Salvador

H.E. Mrs. Carmen María Gallardo Hernández

Western European and other States:

Luxembourg

H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit

Daily list of documents

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A/61/554	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials — Members of the International Court of Justice — Judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia — Judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda — Ad litem judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia — Ad litem judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/574-S/2006/887	Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Identical letters dated 14 November 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

- A/61/575 Item 139 — Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea — Revised budget for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
- A/61/578-S/2006/891 Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Identical letters dated 15 November 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- A/61/L.21* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S]
- A/61/L.22 Item 150 — Argentina, Brazil, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua: draft resolution — International Year of Reconciliation, 2009 [A C E F R S]

**Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)**

- A/C.4/61/L.11/Rev.1 Item 31 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Palestine: revised draft resolution — Operations of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

- A/C.2/61/L.38 Item 59 (b) — Training and research — South Africa: draft resolution — United Nations Institute for Training and Research [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

- A/C.3/61/L.31/Rev.1 Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Belarus and Uzbekistan: draft resolution — Promotion of equitable and mutually respectful dialogue on human rights [A C E F R S]
- A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1 Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Albania, Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Palau, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay: revised draft resolution — Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions [A C E F R S]
- A/C.3/61/L.59 Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Azerbaijan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1 — Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions [A C E F R S]

Sixth Committee

- A/C.6/61/L.18 Item 80 — Draft resolution — The rule of law at the national and international levels [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

- A/ES-10/366 Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Letter dated 14 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/ES-10/L.19 Item 5 — Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Palestine: draft resolution — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [A C E F R S]

Security Council**Documents**

- S/2006/823 Letter dated 16 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- S/2006/885 Report by the Secretary-General concerning the credentials of the alternate representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- A/61/574-S/2006/887 Identical letters dated 14 November 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- A/61/578-S/2006/891 Identical letters dated 15 November 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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College of Commissioners Twenty-fourth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A
2.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Security Council Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions

3 p.m. Closed meeting Consultations Room

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10.30 a.m. 56th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

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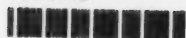
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- (a) Allocation of sub-item (b) of agenda item 67 (Promotion and protection of human rights): letter from the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Disabilities (A/61/552)
- (b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Qatar (A/61/235)

Main Committees

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 49th meeting Conference Room 1

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Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.52

2. Advancement of women [61]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.60

3. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.50

4. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . [67 (c)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.39

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda items 116 and 117 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; and Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Enhancing the role of the Subregional offices of the Economic Commission for Africa (A/61/471 and A/61/544));

Agenda items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the Millennium Summit; Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations; Human resources management; Joint Inspection Unit; Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; and United Nations reform: measures and proposals: Investing in the United Nations: for a stronger Organization worldwide: detailed report: Procurement reform (A/60/846/Add.5 and A/60/904); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on procurement practices within the United Nations system (A/59/721 and A/59/721/Add.1)); and

Agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

3-6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 126 (United Nations pension system (A/61/9, A/C.5/61/2 and A/61/545)); and

Agenda item 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

United Nations Children's Fund

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development) — International Year on Sanitation

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia), under agenda item 56 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Nicole Ruder (Switzerland), under agenda 53 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-1120.

Informal consultations convened by delegations**Monday, 20 November 2006****Informal consultations on draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), under agenda item 62 (convened by the delegation of Morocco)**

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on: international migration and development; commodities; international trade and development; debt; globalization and interdependence; corrupt practices; Convention on Biological Diversity; United Nations Environment Programme; UN-Habitat; climate change; International Strategy for Disaster Reduction; International Year of Sanitation; International Year of Biodiversity; and United Nations University; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D
3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court: meeting of the Bureau (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Human Rights (on the draft resolution on the right to development)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on agenda item 10 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana, as Chair of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Fifth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday and Tuesday, 20 and 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Population Division, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3185).]

Other activities

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Monday, 20 November 2006

Third Annual Web4Dev Conference and AIT Global-18th Annual Conference and Exhibit: joint event on "Web-based communication, collaboration and best practices for development" (sponsored by the Department of Information (DPI) and the Global Alliance for ICT and Development (UNGAID)) (20-22 November 2006)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cheryl Stafford, UNGAID (e-mail stafford@un.org); Ms. Lilia Vázquez, DPI (e-mail vazquez@un.org); or Ms. Soad Sommereyns, DPI (e-mail sommereyns@un.org).]

Briefing on "Enhancing global public health — Ensuring a safer world" (organized by the World Health Organization, in cooperation with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Olga Bailey, WHO, New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4388; e-mail bailey@un.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm>.

Monday, 20 November 2006

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon Mr. Ibrahima Fall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region (on his recent mission to the Central African Republic)

Forthcoming official meetings**General Assembly**

Sixty-first session

Main Committees**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

The 26th meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take place on Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in a conference room to be announced. The Committee will take action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.9, A/C.4/61/L.10, A/C.4/61/L.11/Rev.1 and A/C.4/61/L.12, submitted under agenda item 31 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East); and on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.13, A/C.4/61/L.14, A/C.4/61/L.15, A/C.4/61/L.16, A/C.4/61/L.17 and A/C.4/61/L.18, submitted under agenda item 32 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Dicky Komar (Indonesia), under agenda item 59 (b) (Training and Research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, at 2 p.m. on in the Indonesian Lounge.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber; and

Tuesday, 28 November 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia), under agenda item 56 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-770; and

Friday, 24 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[*Note:* Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 21 November 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its 23rd meeting on Tuesday, 21 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 297th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Wednesday, 22 November 2006, at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, recovery and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN))

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Cuba)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Other forthcoming meetings

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African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

African Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7;

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on agenda item 10 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana, as Chair of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Monday and Tuesday, 27 and 28 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Tapiwa Mongwa, Permanent Mission of Botswana (tel. 1 (212) 889-2277; e-mail mongwat@botsrep.com).]

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming activities

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Special event in commemoration of the seventy-third anniversary of Holodomor (the 1932-33 Great Famine in Ukraine) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Tuesday, 21 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. Following the official part, there will be a screening of the award-winning documentary "Harvest of Despair". For further information please contact Mr. Vitaliy Pohribnyi, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (tel. 1 (212) 759-7003, ext. 115).]

Panel discussion on "Galvanizing action towards ending violence against women", to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW), Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Janette Amer, DAW (tel. 1 (212) 963-5361; e-mail amer@un.org); or Ms. Yasmeen Hassan, DAW (tel. 1 (212) 963-3162; e-mail hassan30@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Pediatric AIDS: The promise of new public-private partnerships", on the occasion of World AIDS Day (organized by the United States Mission)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerry@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "Environmental governance: Key issues and perspectives" (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roma Stibravy, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069; e-mail unngocsd@gmail.com).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information and registration, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org), by Wednesday, 29 November 2006.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent by *Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Administrative Tribunal (23 October-22 November 2006)

The Administrative Tribunal will hold meetings (closed) *every day* until Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 2, DC2 Building.

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 November 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 16 November 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Third Committee

47th meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.23

The Committee continued to take action on the draft resolution.

Following statements by the representatives of the United States and Cuba, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.23, by a recorded vote of 112 to 6, with 54 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries), Canada (also on behalf of Australia) and Japan. After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, the United States, Costa Rica, the United Republic of Tanzania, South Africa and Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa and Cuba.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.24

The Committee was advised that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement and announced that the Gambia and Suriname had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Bolivia, Botswana, the Central African Republic, Lesotho, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zambia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries).

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.24, by a recorded vote of 117 to 56, with 3 abstentions.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.25

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) made a statement and announced that Mexico withdrew as a co-sponsor and that Azerbaijan, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Mauritius, Montenegro, Mozambique, Palau, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone and Uruguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Burundi, Côte d'Ivoire, Lesotho, Liberia and Serbia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.25, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.26**

The Committee was advised that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement and announced that Honduras had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Bolivia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a statement by the United States, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.26*, by a recorded vote of 116 to 3, with 58 abstentions.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Colombia.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.27

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Cuba made a statement and announced that Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cyprus, India, Oman and Sri Lanka had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Bolivia, the Central African Republic, Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, Lithuania, Mauritius, Qatar, Sierra Leone and Ukraine also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a statement by the representative of the United States, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.27, by a recorded vote of 175 to 1, with 0 abstention.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.31/Rev.1

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Belarus orally revised the text of the draft resolution and announced that China, Cuba, Indonesia, Iran (Republic Islamic of), the Russian Federation, the Sudan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Angola, Benin, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Guinea-Bissau, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.31/Rev.1, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 77 to 63, with 26 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries), Mexico and Canada. Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of Brazil and Japan.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.36/Rev.1

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Mexico made a statement and announced that Costa Rica, Italy and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Belarus, Iceland, Lebanon, Senegal, Ukraine and the United Republic of Tanzania also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.36/Rev.1, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1 and amendments contained in A/C.3/61/L.59

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution and informed the Committee that Greece was an original sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of Sweden orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Australia, Bulgaria, Honduras, Montenegro and Turkey had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Benin, Bolivia and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Action on amendments contained in A/C.3/61/L.59

The representative of Sweden requested separate votes on the two paragraphs contained in the document.

By a recorded vote of 71 to 62, with 23 abstentions, the Committee rejected operative paragraph 1.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Kuwait and Sweden.

By a recorded vote of 69 to 57, with 25 abstentions, operative paragraph 2 was rejected.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of Sweden.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1

The Committee then proceeded to a vote on operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution.

By a recorded vote of 89 to 38, with 26 abstentions, the Committee retained operative paragraph 4.

A statement before the vote was made by the representative of Sweden and after the vote was made by the representative of Japan.

The Committee then proceeded to a vote on operative paragraph 5 (b) of the draft resolution.

By a recorded vote of 93 to 30, with 28 abstentions, the Committee retained operative paragraph 5 (b).

The Committee then proceeded to a vote on the draft resolution, as a whole.

By a recorded vote of 129 to 0, with 42 abstentions, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1, as orally revised.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Sweden. After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, the United States and Botswana.

The representative of Gabon made a statement regarding his vote.

Friday, 17 November 2006

General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session (resumed)

28th–29th plenary meetings

The summary of the 28th and 29th plenary meetings of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/224).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Second Committee

30th meeting

Eradication of poverty and other development issues [57]

(a) *Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)*

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.39

The representative of South Africa introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(b) *Industrial development cooperation*

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.40

The representative of South Africa introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research . . . [59 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft decision A/C.2/61/L.38

The Secretary made a statement regarding technical corrections to the document.

The representative of South Africa introduced the draft decision, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions [69 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.43

The representative of Namibia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the African States Group.

Sustainable development [53]*(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States*

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.18 and A/C.2/61/L.42

The Secretary read out an oral statement on programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.42.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), and by the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.42, draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.18 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.28 and A/C.2/61/L.44

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.44 contained no programme budget implications.

A statement was made by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil).

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, after which a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.44, draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.28 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Operational activities for development: Operational activities for development of the United Nations system [58]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.32/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

A statement was made by the representative of Belarus in which he announced that Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Central African Republic, Comoros, the Congo, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Eritrea, Gabon, the Gambia, Georgia, Guatemala, Indonesia, Israel, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Malta, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, the Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Tajikistan, Togo and Zimbabwe had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Afghanistan, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Azerbaijan, the Bahamas, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Dominica, Egypt, El Salvador, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lesotho, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Micronesia (Federated States of), Morocco, Namibia, the Philippines, Qatar, the Republic of Korea, South Africa, the

Sudan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor Leste, the United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam and Zambia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairperson, the Committee decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General contained in document A/61/77-E/2006/59 and the note by the Secretary-General contained in document A/61/292.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Subsequently, a statement was made by the representative of San Marino.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the Rapporteur, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), and the Vice-Chairmen, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), Mr. Prayono Atiyanto (Indonesia) and Mr. Aboubacar Sadikh Barry (Senegal).

A statement was made by the Chairperson.

A statement was made by the Secretary.

Third Committee

48th meeting

The summary of the 48th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/224).

Fifth Committee

22nd–23rd meetings

The summary of the 22nd and 23rd meetings of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/224).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context. Kiev, 21 May 2003

Acceptance: Romania (16 November 2006)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980

Succession and Consent to be bound by Protocols I, II and III annexed to the Convention: Montenegro (23 October 2006)¹

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)¹

Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 21 December 2001

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)¹

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Geneva, 3 September 1992

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2006 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Namibia

H.E. Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende

Asian States:

Pakistan

H.E. Mr. Munir Akram

Eastern European States:

Bulgaria

H.E. Mr. Ivan T. Piperkov

Latin American and Caribbean States:

El Salvador

H.E. Mrs. Carmen María Gallardo Hernández

Western European and other States:

Luxembourg

H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit

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Early list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Friday, 17 November 2006.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
General Assembly	Documents
	Sixty-first session
A/61/235	Request for the inclusion of an additional item in the agenda of the sixty-first session — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/61/529-S/2006/826	Item 63 (a) — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Children and armed conflict — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

- A/61/566 Items 117, 129 and 130 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations: standardized access control — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/61/573 Item 27 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 13 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Moldova to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/61/L.24 Items 47 and 113 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly — Strengthening of the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

- A/C.2/61/8 Item 56 (b) — Groups of countries in special situations: specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation — Letter dated 7 November 2006 from the representatives of Azerbaijan and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/C.2/61/9 Item 54 — Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) — Letter dated 6 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/C.2/61/L.32/Rev.1 Item 58 — Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system — Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bolivia, Canada, Denmark, Djibouti, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Moldova, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: revised draft resolution — Commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund [A C E F R S]
- A/C.2/61/L.42 Item 53 (b) — Sustainable development: follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.18 — Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.43 Item 69 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions — Namibia: draft resolution — Special economic assistance to Côte d'Ivoire [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.44 Item 53 (c) — Sustainable development: International Strategy for Disaster Reduction — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.28 — Natural disasters and vulnerability [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/61/L.60 Item 61 — Advancement of women — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations — Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/61/12 Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Tenth emergency special session — Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

A/ES-10/367 Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/ES-10/368 Letter dated 16 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Security Council

Documents

S/2006/10/Add.40 Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S]

A/61/529-S/2006/826 Children and armed conflict — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

S/2006/857 Letter dated 31 October 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2006/888 Letter dated 14 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2006/892 Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/PRST/2006/45 Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/Agenda/5566 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

Documents

E/2006/INF/4 List of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council as at 31 August 2006 — Note by the Secretary-General [E F S (only)]

**Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2007 regular session**

E/C.2/2007/2/Add.8 Quadrennial reports for the period 2002-2005 submitted through the Secretary-General pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

**Convention on the Elimination of All Forms
of Discrimination against Women**

Documents

**Committee on the Elimination of
Discrimination against Women
Thirty-seventh session**

CEDAW/C/2007/1/1 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

**Executive Board of the United Nations
Development Programme and of the
United Nations Population Fund**

Documents

First regular session 2007

DP/FPA/2007/1 Item 12 of the provisional agenda — Recommendations of the Board of Auditors — United Nations Population Fund — Follow-up to the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2004-2005: Status of implementation of recommendations — Report of the Executive Director [A C E F R S]

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* may be sent to Ms. Sylvie Deschênes (e-mail journal@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4790; room S-2370; tel. 1 (212) 963-6776 and 963-3888).

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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Tuesday, 21 November 2006

Security Council

10 a.m. 5567th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Morning¹ 5568th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

¹ To be held following the adjournment of the 5567th meeting.

United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission

College of Commissioners

Twenty-fourth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

2.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal Working Group on Mandate Review

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3



Main Committees**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

- 10 a.m.–1 p.m. 26th meeting Conference Room 2
- United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
(A/61/13, A/61/347, A/61/358, A/61/278 and A/61/172) [31]
- Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.9, A/C.4/61/L.10, A/C.4/61/L.11/Rev.1 and A/C.4/61/L.12*
- Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories
(A/61/500, A/61/330, A/61/331, A/61/328, A/61/329 and A/61/327) [32]
- Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.13, A/C.4/61/L.14, A/C.4/61/L.15, A/C.4/61/L.16, A/C.4/61/L.17 and A/C.4/61/L.18*

Third Committee

- 10 a.m.–1 p.m. 50th meeting Conference Room 1
- 3–6 p.m. 51st meeting Conference Room 1
1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [41]
 - Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.54/Rev.1 and A/C.3/61/L.55*
 2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [63 (a)]
 - Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.16/Rev.1*
 3. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action [65 (b)]
 - Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.53/Rev.1*
 4. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]
 - Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.21/Rev.1, A/C.3/61/L.22, A/C.3/61/L.29/Rev.1 and A/C.3/61/L.32/Rev.1*
 5. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [67 (c)]
 - Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.41*

Fifth Committee

- 10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda items 151 (Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (A/61/519 and A/61/567)); and 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Renovation to the residence of the Secretary-General: revised

estimates to the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/377 and A/61/523))

3-6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
 Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

Sixth Committee

10-11 a.m. 23rd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber
 Measures to eliminate international terrorism [100]
Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.17
 Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [110]
Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.19

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10
 3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10
 1. Draft report on the financial and any other implications resulting from the introduction of a staff retention bonus at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia
 2. Executive session on the United Nations Environment Programme
 3. Executive session on conditions of service and compensation for official other than Secretariat officials
 4. Executive session on the United Nations Children's Fund
 5. United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Ms. Cinthia Soto (Costa Rica), under agenda item 53 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Dicky Komar (Indonesia), under agenda item 59 (b) (Training and Research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

At 2 p.m. in the Indonesian Lounge.

Facilitator, Ms. Deidre Mills (Jamaica), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)) — Role of microcredit and microfinance in the eradication of poverty

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland) under agenda item 54 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities) — International Year of Natural Fibres

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

From 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Tuesday, 21 November 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), under agenda item 62 (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, recovery and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Cuba)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization" (convened by the delegation of Ukraine)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 21 November 2006

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution under agenda item 65 (b) (Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action))

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on: debt; corrupt practices; eradication of poverty; globalization and interdependence; commodities; climate change; and Agenda 21; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Joint meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement and the Group of 77 (Working Group on Mandate Review)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee matters)

9.15–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Fifth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 9*.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Population Division, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3185).]

Other activities*The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.***Tuesday, 21 November 2006****Third Annual Web4Dev Conference and AIT Global–18th Annual Conference and Exhibit: joint event on “Web-based communication, collaboration and best practices for development” (sponsored by the Department of Information (DPI) and the Global Alliance for ICT and Development (UNGAID)) (20–22 November 2006)**

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cheryl Stafford, UNGAID (e-mail stafford@un.org); Ms. Lilia Vázquez, DPI (e-mail vazquez@un.org); or Ms. Soad Sommereyns, DPI (e-mail sommereyns@un.org).]**Special event in commemoration of the seventy-third anniversary of Holodomor (the 1932–33 Great Famine in Ukraine) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)**

From 3 to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. Following the official part, there will be a screening of the award-winning documentary “Harvest of Despair”. For further information please contact Mr. Vitaliy Pohribnyi, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (tel. 1 (212) 759-7003, ext. 115).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/oxsg/conf.htm>

Tuesday, 21 November 2006

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 22 November 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

3-3.30 p.m. 57th plenary meeting. Conference Room 2
 Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: fourth report of
 the General Committee (A/61/250/Add.3)¹. [7]

**Informal consultations of the plenary on the report of the Secretary-General
 entitled "Mandating and delivering: analysis and recommendations to
 facilitate the review of mandates"**

10 a.m. 16th meeting (closed) Conference Room 2

¹ To be issued.

Main Committees**Second Committee**

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development) — International Year on Sanitation

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia), under agenda item 56 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-770; and

Friday, 24 November 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Ms. Cinthia Soto (Costa Rica), under agenda item 53 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Nicole Ruder (Switzerland), under agenda 53 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

Tuesday, 28 November 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[*Note: Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]*

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 24th meeting on Wednesday, 22 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 24th meeting, in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 297th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on *Friday, 24 November 2006*, at 10.30 a.m. in the *Trusteeship Council Chamber*.

Economic and Social Council

Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Ali Hachani (Tunisia), on Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the strengthening of the Council and on issues pending from the 2006 substantive session.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts", under agenda item 10 (convened by the delegation of Botswana, as Chair of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4;

Tuesday, 28 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Other forthcoming meetings

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African Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7;

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 29 November 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming activities

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Panel discussion on "Galvanizing action towards ending violence against women", to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW), Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday, 27 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Janette Amer, DAW (tel. 1 (212) 963-5361; e-mail amer@un.org); or Ms. Yasmeen Hassan, DAW (tel. 1 (212) 963-3162; e-mail hassan30@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Pediatric AIDS: The promise of new public-private partnerships", on the occasion of World AIDS Day (organized by the United States Mission)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerry@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "Environmental governance: Key issues and perspectives" (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development and the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roma Stibravy, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069; e-mail unngocsd@gmail.com); or the Permanent Mission of Switzerland (tel. 1 (212) 286-1540, ext. 1117).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information and registration, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org), by Wednesday, 29 November 2006.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Administrative Tribunal (23 October-22 November 2006)

The Administrative Tribunal will hold meetings (closed) *every day* until Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 2, DC2 Building.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 November 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 17 November 2006

General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session

28th plenary meeting *Resumption of the tenth emergency special session*

The President declared resumed the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly on illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory.

The President drew the attention of delegations to documents A/ES-10/366 and A/ES-10/367.

The Assembly decided that the Credentials Committee of the sixty-first session should serve for the resumed tenth emergency special session.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/ES-10/368)

The General Assembly took note of a letter from the Secretary-General (A/ES-10/368) concerning 9 Member States that were in arrears in the payment of their financial contribution to the United Nations within the terms of Article 19 of the Charter.

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory: draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.19) [5]

The President made a statement.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

The representative of Qatar made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19.

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Senegal (in his capacity as Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People), Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Azerbaijan (on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference), Indonesia, Australia, the Russian Federation, Malaysia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), New Zealand, South Africa, Switzerland, Pakistan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Japan.

29th plenary meeting

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory: draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.19) [5]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, India, Egypt, the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Brazil, China and Zimbabwe.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

The meeting was temporarily suspended.

The representative of Qatar made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19.

The President drew the attention of the General Assembly to a provisional report of the Fifth Committee, to be issued as document A/61/582.

The General Assembly then proceeded to vote on draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19, as orally revised.

By 156 votes to 7, with 6 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19, as orally revised (resolution ES-10/16).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Canada, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Israel.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly was adjourned, in accordance with the terms of paragraph 12 of resolution ES-10/16.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees**Third Committee**

48th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [41]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.47

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.47, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Costa Rica made a statement.

Indigenous issues [64]

(a) *Indigenous issues*

(b) *Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People*

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of documents under the item.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [65 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.49

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Slovenia made a statement, orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Armenia, Kazakhstan, Liechtenstein, Norway, South Africa and Thailand had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Angola, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, the Central African Republic, China, the Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Honduras, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritania, Morocco, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zambia and Zimbabwe also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.49, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 65 (a).

Implementation of human rights instruments [67 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.15

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Denmark further orally revised the text of the draft resolution and announced that Albania, Andorra, Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Ghana, Honduras, Israel, Kenya, Micronesia (Federated States of), Peru, Serbia and Uruguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and that India was not a sponsor.

Angola, Burundi, the Central African Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Madagascar, Mauritania, Moldova (Republic of), Mongolia, Timor-Leste and Ukraine also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a technical correction made to the text by the Secretary, the delegation of Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.15, as further orally revised.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [67 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.28

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Azerbaijan orally revised the text of the draft resolution.

Belarus and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.28, by a recorded vote of 101 to 53, with 20 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries), India and Canada. After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore and Costa Rica.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [67 (c)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.37

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) made a statement and announced that Bosnia and Herzegovina, Honduras, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Montenegro, Nicaragua and Palau had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Tuvalu also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan and Australia.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.37, by a recorded vote of 91 to 21, with 60 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, Belarus, Indonesia, Cuba, Egypt, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the Syrian Arab Republic. After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Republic

of Korea, Singapore, Algeria, Viet Nam, China, Brazil, Costa Rica and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Crime prevention and criminal justice [98]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14/Rev.1

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14/Rev.1, submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultation.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

A statement was made by the representative of Finland (on behalf the European Union and associated countries).

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14/Rev.1, without a vote.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of documents under the item.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 98.

Fifth Committee

22nd meeting

Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste [151]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/519).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/567).

The Committee began its general discussion of this item and heard statements by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), Indonesia, the United States, Brazil, Japan Cuba, Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group) and Angola.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin on that day, Friday, 17 November, following the adjournment of the formal meeting in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Alexios Mitsopoulos (Greece), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Other matters

The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, the Legal Counsel, replied to questions raised at the Committee's 18th and 19th meetings, held on 6 and 9 November, respectively.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States and South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

23rd meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

[117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Following several suspensions of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States and Canada.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the Director of General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division and the Secretary of the Committee made statements.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19 (Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.19 (Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory), contained in document A/C.5/61/12.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee, which was subsequently issued as document A/61/587.

The Secretary of the Committee read out an oral draft decision.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Australia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and Israel.

The Committee then proceeded to take a recorded vote on the draft decision of the Fifth Committee.

The draft decision was approved, by a vote of 143 to 5, with 2 abstentions.

After the adoption of the oral draft decision, statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Japan.

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Sixty-first session

56th plenary meeting

Report of the International Criminal Court: draft resolution (A/61/L.21)

[74]

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.21.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.21 (resolution 61/15).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 74.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/90)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/61/L.24)*

Strengthening of the United Nations system [112]

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]

(a) *Note by the Secretary-General (A/61/383)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/61/L.24)*

United Nations reform: measures and proposals [149]: joint debate

The President made a statement, in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/61/L.24.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.24 (resolution 61/16).

The representative of France made statement on a point of order.

Statements in explanation of vote after adoption were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States and India.

The General Assembly proceeded to a joint debate on agenda items 47, 112, 113 and 149.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ukraine (on behalf of GUAM), Cuba, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, China, Nigeria, Belarus, Indonesia and India.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/32 of 19 November 2002, the observer of the Inter-Parliamentary Union made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 47, 112, 113 and 149.

International Year of Reconciliation, 2009: draft resolution (A/61/L.22) [150]

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.22.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.22 (resolution 61/17).

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of the vote after adoption.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 150.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly of changes to its programme of work.

General Committee

5th meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [7]

(a) *Allocation of sub-item (b) of agenda item 67 (Promotion and protection of human rights): letter from the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Disabilities (A/61/552)*

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that sub-item (b) of agenda item 67 (Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms), which had been allocated to the Third Committee, be also considered in plenary meeting, for the sole purpose of taking action during the main part of the sixty-first session on the draft convention on the rights of persons with disabilities.

(b) *Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Qatar (A/61/235)*

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the inclusion in the agenda of the sixty first session of an additional item entitled "Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies", under Heading B (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), and that the item be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Main Committees

Third Committee

49th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [41]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.52

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Sweden made a statement and announced that Antigua and Barbuda, China, the Comoros, Montenegro, New Zealand, Peru, Swaziland and Uruguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Botswana, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guyana, Jordan, Lesotho, Mali, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mozambique, the Niger, Suriname and Tunisia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.52, without a vote.

Advancement of women [61]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.60

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.60, submitted by the Chairman, on the basis of informal consultations.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.60, without a vote.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States. After the adoption, statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica and Singapore.

Right of peoples to self-determination [66]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.50

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement and announced that Cambodia, Comoros, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, the Gambia, Kenya, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Sudan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Liberia and Sri Lanka also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.50, by a recorded vote of 116 to 49, with 5 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United States and Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries). After the vote, the representative of Argentina made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of document A/61/333.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 66.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [67 (c)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.39

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement and announced that Bulgaria, Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Latvia, Malta, Romania and Spain had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Uzbekistan made a statement and moved for the adjournment of the debate under rule 116 of the rules of procedure.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of Azerbaijan and China; statements against the motion were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) and Canada.

The motion was carried, by a recorded vote of 74 to 69, with 24 abstentions.

Right of reply

A statement in the exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Micronesia (Federated States of) (17 November 2006)¹

International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Iran (Islamic Republic of) (20 November 2006)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Communication relating to the reservation made by Egypt upon ratification: Russian Federation (14 November 2006)¹

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Territorial application to the Faroe Islands: Denmark (20 November 2006)¹

International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994. Geneva, 26 January 1994

Extension of the 1994 Agreement until the provisional or definitive entry into force of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Ratification: Ireland (20 November 2006)¹

Ratification: Italy (20 November 2006)¹

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Succession (with confirmation of the declaration made by Serbia and Montenegro upon accession): Montenegro (23 October 2006)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Namibia

H.E. Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende

Asian States:

Pakistan

H.E. Mr. Munir Akram

Eastern European States:

Bulgaria

H.E. Mr. Ivan T. Piperkov

Latin American and Caribbean States:

El Salvador

H.E. Mrs. Carmen María Gallardo Hernández

Western European and other States:

Luxembourg

H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit

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<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
General Assembly	Official Records
	Sixty-first session
A/61/PV.20	Meeting held on 26 September 2006, 10 a.m. [E]
	Disarmament Commission
A/CN.10/PV.275	Meeting held on 28 April 2006, 3.40 p.m. [R]

General Assembly**Documents****Sixty-first session**

- A/61/140 (Part I)/Add.1 Items 87 and 93 — The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East — Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East — Report of the Secretary-General — Replies received from Governments — Egypt [A C E F R S]
- A/61/391 Item 87 — Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
- A/61/397 Item 93 — The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
- A/61/401 Item 97 — Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
- A/61/437 Item 60 (a)-(d) — Social development: implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly; social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family; United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all; follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing — Social development — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
- A/61/525/Add.1 Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Thematic cluster I. Special and personal envoys, special advisers and personal representatives of the Secretary-General — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/61/577 Items 117 and 126 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — United Nations pension system — Administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

- A/C.3/61/L.30/Rev.1 Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Belarus: revised draft resolution — Inadmissibility of human rights violations through the practice of secret detention and unlawful transfers [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

- A/C.5/61/L.6 Item 121 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Pattern of conferences [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

- A/ES-10/369 Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Security Council**Documents**

- S/2006/568 Letter dated 6 September 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- S/2006/889 Letter dated 14 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- S/2006/894 Letter dated 10 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- S/2006/895 Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- S/2006/899 Letter dated 17 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women**Documents****Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Thirty-seventh session**

CEDAW/C/2007/1/4/Add.1

Item 8 of the provisional agenda — Ways and means of expediting the work of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women — Overview of the working methods of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

- ST/IC/2006/47/Corr.1 Information circular — 2007 national competitive recruitment examinations [E F (only)]

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